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SUBJECT: Crisis Information and Management System (S)

National Security Decision Directive 95, dated May 18th, 1983, subject as above, calls for improvement in our ability to support the President, Vice President and interagency national security situation management organizations in crisis situations.

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The President's instructions call for the development of a national Crisis Information and Management System (CIMS). Policy and programmatic oversight in achieving the NSDD 95 objectives in that regard rest with two interagency review and working groups (CIMSRG and CIMSWG). (S)

This memorandum <u>reaffirms</u> the functions and accountability <u>vested</u> in these two oversight bodies by NSDD 95. NSDD 95 ensures top-level management, as well as interagency cooperation and coordination regarding national security information and situation management. Pending any revision of NSDD 95, this remains our objective in developing the Crisis Information and Management System. (S)

The functions and accountability previously assigned to the CIMS Review Group is reassigned to the Policy Review Group, chaired by the Deputy Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs. The CIMS Working Group will be convened as soon as practicable to review the CIMS project, assess progress, review funding, and establish a work plan for continued oversight in the deployment of the national security information and situation management system. (S)

As a future order of business, the CIMSWG will undertake a review of NSDD 95 with a view toward recommending any revision as may be appropriate. (S)

The Chairman of the Crisis Information and Management System Working Group (CIMSWG) will be a senior NSC staff officer. Specifically, Louis G. Michael, Deputy Executive Secretary, National Security Council, Situation Support, will chair this group, and the Director of the White House Military Office is invited to appoint a member. Other membership is specified in NSDD 95, and includes NSC Staff, State, DoD, DMSPA, DCI, FBI, FEMA, OMB, and CHOSUN Project Office. Membership will be expanded as appropriate. (S)

The CIMS Working Group will review departmental and agency alert procedures, and other Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs), with a view toward examining consistency, inter-operability, and the necessary provisions for coordination of future planning associated with operations centers. The CIMSWG should propose, necessary interagency SOPs, standards, and procedures applicable to alerting and crisis management operations. (S)

Please nominate appropriate members to the CIMS Working Group by May 26, 1987 consistent with the membership specified in NSDD 95. In so doing, please take into account all aspects of the NSDD, to include provisions defined in the more highly classified annex.

Executive Secretary

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